

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 JIDDA 01789 071432Z

50

ACTION NEA-12

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 EA-11 ISO-00 AEC-11 AID-20 CEA-02

CIAE-00 CIEP-02 COME-00 DODE-00 EB-11 FEA-02 FPC-01

H-03 INR-10 INT-08 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 OMB-01 PM-07

RSC-01 SAM-01 SCI-06 SP-03 SS-20 STR-08 TRSE-00 PA-04

USIA-15 PRS-01 IO-14 DRC-01 AF-10 ARA-16 SWF-02 AGR-20

ABF-01 /260 W

----- 126682

P R 071318Z APR 74

FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6660

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMEMBASSY VIENNA

AMCONSUL DHAHREN

CONFIDENTIAL JIDDA 1789

DEPT PASS USINT BAGHDAD

E.O.: 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, SA

SUBJ: ASSISTANCE TO LDC'S

REF : A. STATE 65833; B. STATE 56529

SUMMARY: IMF DIRECTOR GENERAL WITTEVEEN IS MEETING WITH SAG
MINISTER OF FINANCE IN JIDDA AND WILL HAVE AUDIENCE WITH
KING. NATURE OF IMF PROPOSALS UNCERTAIN. SAMA GOVERNOR ANWAR
ALI AGREED TO CONSIDER SUBMITTING IDEA OF SPECIAL
CONTRIBUTION TO IDA AS MEANS OF HELPING U.S. IN
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 JIDDA 01789 071432Z

ITS RESUBMISSION TO CONGRESS. SAG LIKELY TO STICK TO OPEC

FUND AND A FEW OTHER MULTILATERAL CONTRIBUTIONS IN ADDITION TO BILATERAL HELP TO LDC'S. SAG HAS DECIDED TO TRIPLE ITS CONTRIBUTION TO UNDP; GIVE A SUM TO UNICEF; AND MAY HAVE DECIDED TO MAKE A SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION TO UNRWA. END SUMMARY.

1. GOVERNOR ANWAR ALI OF SAUDI ARABIAN MONETARY AGENCY IS MEETING WITH A MAJOR TEAM OF IMF EXPERTS, INCLUDING DIRECTOR GENERAL WITTEVEEN. MINISTER OF FINANCE, PRINCE MUSA'AD, WILL HEAD THE SAG DELIBERATIONS WITH WITTEVEEN AND HIS PARTY WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE HERE IN JIDDA, NOT AT THE CAPITAL.

2. ALI IS UNSURE ABOUT THE NATURE OF THE DELIBERATIONS WHICH WILL PRESUMABLY BE KEYED TO IMF INTEREST IN TESTING OUT SAG REACTION TO PROPOSAL FOR SOME MEANS OF FUNDING INCREASED ENERGY COSTS. WITTEVEEN'S THOUGHTS ABOUT THIS APPARENTLY HAVE BEEN MODIFIED SINCE HIS ORIGINAL PROPOSAL FOR A SPECIFIC FUND, BUT GOVERNOR ALI REMAINS IN THE DARK ABOUT THE EXACT NATURE OF THE PROPOSALS WITTEVEEN WILL MAKE.

3. ECON COUNSELOR PRESENTED IDEAS CONCERNING SAUDI AID TO LDC'S PER STATE REFTEL B TO GOVERNOR ALI, COMPLIMENTING HIM ON SUCCESSFUL \$50 MILLION TWO-YEAR CONTRIBUTION TO WORLD FOOD PROGRAM. SAG HAD RECEIVED WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY HELPFUL TO THE COUNTRY. ALI SAID THAT HE HAD PERSONALLY PLAYED A ROLE IN DECISION JUST BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FOR WASHINGTON MEETING, HELPING TO GAIN KING'S ACQUIESCENCE IN MAKEING THE CONTRIBUTION.

4. HIS REACTION TO SUGGESTION THAT SAG SERIOUSLY CONSIDER IDA CONTRIBUTION WAS TO TAKE IT UNDER ADVISEMENT. HE INDICATED THAT HE MAY RAISE THE IDEA OF HELPING WASHINGTON BY A SAG CONTRIBUTION AT THIS TIME ALONG LINES INDICATED IN REFTEL.

5. ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS ON A SCALE THAT WOULD BE SERIOUSLY HELPFUL TO THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROBLEMS OF LDC'S (AND DC'S), ALI SAID THAT HE DOUBTED SAUDI ARABIA WOULD DO MUCH ASIDE FROM THE PROPOSED OPEC FUND (SAMA CHIEF ECONOMIST ATTENDED OPEC MEETING OF EXPERTS IN VIENNA AT WHICH VARIOUS IDEAS FOR NEW OPEC FUND WERE WORKED OUT.) NO DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE HERE HOWEVER, ALTHOUGH MINISTER CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 JIDDA 01789 071432Z

YAMANI DEPARTED APRIL 4 FOR GENEVA TALKS WITH AOPEC MINISTERS ON THIS FUND. IT APPARENTLY WILL BE A FOLLOW-ON OR SUBSTITUTE FOR SHAH'S PROPOSALS.

6. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM OTHER SOURCES THAT AN ADDITIONAL SAUDI CONTRIBUTION OF 1.5 MILLION DOLLARS TO UNDP PROGRAMS HAS BEEN APPROVED, AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL UNSPECIFIED SUM FOR UNICEF. A SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION TO UNRWA IS BEING DISCUSSED, AND WE

ARE TOLD THAT SOME MONEY WILL BE FORTH-
COMING.
AKINS

NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED USINT BAGHDAD

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptoning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, DEVELOPMENT LOANS, FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS, FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 07 APR 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974JIDDA01789
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740079-0152
From: JIDDA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740460/aaaacdard.tel
Line Count: 120
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A. STATE 65833; B. STATE 56529
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 19 MAR 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <19 MAR 2002 by collinp0>; APPROVED <06 MAY 2002 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: ASSISTANCE TO LDC'S
TAGS: EFIN, SA
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005